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Chapter 271 Video Erased

In just half an hour, the video of Lith's farewell spread like wildfire on the internet and became a very hot topic. The most popular one was a tveet made by a person and it got fifty million views already.

However, things didn't last for long and that tveet was taken down immediately by the website where it was published. Not only that, all things related to Lith's farewell were removed one by one on that website by the staff working there.

In just another thirty minutes, Lith's farewell video was erased from all major places on the internet and there were no traces of the video, just people talking about it on blogs and forums and wondering why such an event had occurred.

Ten minutes later, hackers from around the world spammed the video into various places just for fun and to mess with governments present around the globe. But soon, those videos were erased as well and the hackers were hunted down.

In another fifteen minutes, Lith's video spread across the dark web. But just as it did, it got removed in that instant itself and the people were sent a virus that corrupted their devices and erased all soft copies present.

The dark web was owned and run by the same organization whose part the Nine Roses Hotel chain was. The organization being Scelestus which was also the world's biggest underground organization.

Scelestus ensured that no one posted this video on the dark web anymore and the ones who repeatedly tried to do so despite having their devices corrupted, were assassinated by their assassins.

In less than an hour and a half, such a major thing happened in the world and the vast majority wasn't even aware of it. Only the ones who were regular on the internet knew about it.

Half an hour later.

Lith's farewell video was erased completely from the internet as well as offline. But there were still some problems that lay. The major one being the people who had the memory of the video.

It was almost impossible to find each and every one who watched the video and erase their memories and so, to solve this issue, a lot of big organizations came together.

An emergency meeting was held and it was decided over here that they'd let go of this matter and not escalate it even further. They arrived at this conclusion when they got a letter from the Royal Clan of the Vampires itself.

The vast majority of the people globally once again became clueless as to how the Vampire Prince or anyone from the Royal Clan looked. Only a select few had seen his face and thanks to the video being taken from far, not many were able to see it clearly.

While all of this was happening, Lith was hunting monsters and beasts in Kunlor Forest to get some money for himself.

He may not know it but at present, it wasn't just his mother who had his back. There were several people who were into play and worked in the background to ensure his safety.

But he was yet to discover who these people were and he also had no idea that such a big thing had happened due to him. Without doing anything, it was due to him that many people worked hard and there were also some extreme cases where people were killed.

Lith, oblivious to all of these, was currently moving in the second level of Kunlor Forest.

He was walking above soil covered with leaves that fell from the tall trees around him and was on high alert. The place he was in was the territory of the killer bees.

Lith was in search of the honey of these bees and if possible, to take the queen bee along with him.

The honey had good medicinal properties and usually could be sold anywhere for at least ten silver coins for a one litre jar. Just one teaspoon, which roughly amounts to 5 ml, mixed in hot water, helped cure people having common health problems such as cough, cold, fever, sore throat, etc.

It was for this reason that the honey was sold well. There were a lot of children and people below Rank 6 who needed this. Catching such common problems wasn't rare for the mortals.

As for the queen bee, it could help raise a honey farm and that would in turn make a lot of profit. So many were in need of it.

Lith soon came across a tall tree that had a black beehive attached to one of its branches. The bees seemed to be going in and out of it.

Lith stopped in his tracks and hid behind a tree to watch the bees.

The bees moving in and out meant they were working and they were very well prepared in case someone attacked them. It was big no to attack them at this point.

Lith thus waited and didn't attack them. He waited for the worker bees to get back into the hive and rest. During that time, the beehive was vulnerable and one could easily attack it.

There was also the strength of the bees. Lith couldn't figure out if they were Tier 1, 2 or 3, and thus didn't attack immediately. If they were Tier 3 or below, he could easily attack them and take the honey, but if they were of a higher tier, things would be a bit problematic. It was better to be cautious and wait it out.

While Lith was waiting patiently in the forest, in the academy he left a few hours ago, there was an upheaval.

All of the students and staff who were present during Lith's farewell were asked to be present at the academy grounds. They were about to be checked and strict action was going to be taken against the ones who recorded Lith's video and posted it on the internet, despite many warnings given before.

There was an upheaval regarding this and many students were complaining that it was just a normal thing to do and there shouldn't be such severe action that should be taken against students.

It was just a video, they argued.

The academy made a statement stating that they had strictly warned many times in the past to not record and post videos of the Vampire Prince on the internet. Their warnings were ignored and the students who were about to be punished were subject to the academy's rules and conditions.

The protesting students then went quiet when this statement came to them. They too realized that the academy had indeed warned them before to not do this, and they basically broke their rules.

But not all students were this understanding. There were some extremists and these were the students who had a rich and influential family background. These students still argued that it was just a video and such strict actions shouldn't be taken.

The academy officials were having a headache when they crossed paths with these students. This report was sent to the principal, Emilia, and she was currently going through the same.

Sel had brought her this report and was sitting in a relaxed manner on the sofa in Emilia's room. She was having tea and waiting for Emilia's further orders.

Emilia was reading the reports in a calm manner. Such things weren't something that she considered too important. After reading for a few seconds, she put the papers down and looked at Sel.

She noticed her having tea and relaxing on the sofa. Emilia wanted to give her further commands but looking at her relaxing, she decided to not do so and let her be. She felt that Sel deserved a small break and so, Emilia ignored her and continued to work on something else.

A few minutes passed and at this moment, Emilia got a call on her office's telephone. There was a small screen on the telephone and Emilia noticed that it was a call from CNC.

Emilia picked it up and put the earpiece towards her ear while a screen was projected in front of her. On the screen there was an old man wearing black robes and looking at her in a calm manner.

"Miss Emilia Liwet, it has come to our notice that you made a big decision related to the academy without our consultation. We ask you to come to the council by 11 am tomorrow." The old man said in a neutral tone.

Emilia sighed and said, "I'll be there."

"Okay."

Beep!

The call got cut at this moment and Emilia sighed once again.

"Those geezers keep bothering you, madam. Do you want me to do something about them?" Sel put her teacup down and asked Emilia in a neutral tone.

Emilia shook her head and said, "no. They'll someday learn it the hard way and realize the things they are doing. Also, watch your language, Sel. Don't talk like that in front of those people. You can get punished."

Sel nodded and picked her teacup back. She took a sip and said, "even though they are experienced and powerful Emperor Ranks, their ego is way too inflated. I can understand what madam is asking me to do."

Emilia slightly smiled and shook her head. Sel was very blunt most of the time and didn't fear to speak her mind out. Though she was an angel like her, she was a bit different. She spoke what she thought without sugarcoating things.

Emilia got up and walked towards Sel. She lightly patted her head and said, "don't talk like this in front of others. You'd be in trouble. Come, let's go, we have some issues to solve in the academy."

Sel felt warm and happy when Emilia patted her head. But she didn't show it on her face and there was no change in her usual poker face. She gulped down the tea and walked behind Emilia after gathering her things and the two left to administer things in the academy.

Chapter 272 CNC Interrogation

Emilia, along with Sel arrived at Lenz Tower. She was called here by one of the council members.

The CNC office was located at the upper most levels of the Lenz Tower and only a select few personnels were allowed entry apart from the fifty council members.

Emilia was given an appointment and she could go in without any problems.

The elevator arrived at the 50th floor and Emilia walked out of it along with Sel and went towards the reception.

They showed the receptionist their cards and were taken by her to the council.

After reaching there, Emilia asked Sel to wait outside and she entered inside the council.

Inside she saw fifty people sitting in a semi-circular manner, wearing formal robes of their respective cultures.

In front of them was one seat available to sit and Emilia knew this was where she was supposed to sit. It wasn't her first time coming here and she was used to this. They were going to interrogate her once again.

After Emilia down, the council members asked some questions related to the academy's administration and if it was running smoothly or not. Emilia answered them fluently without any problems. They then arrived at the main part of interrogation.

A council member wearing purple robes said, "Miss Emilia, why did you give an approval to the Vampire Prince for dropping out? You know this is a serious matter right? It's directly connected to the reputation of the academy. How can you take such a big decision without consulting the council?"

Emilia replied to this question in a neutral tone, saying, "I gave him an approval because I understand the reasoning behind him doing that. As for me taking this decision without consulting the council, let me clarify one thing."

"I am not a puppet of the council nor do I work under the council as a subordinate. The council and the academy only have one relation—to appoint members in the academy. Theses rules have been amended long ago, just in case you ladies and gentlemen forgot."

"I am not obliged to consult the council if I feel that the matter isn't of importance. So please, let's save ourselves some time and trouble and castaway this topic."

"Another thing that I'd like to shed light upon is a simple reminder."

Emilia paused after saying so and looked the council members straight in the eyes. She then continued,

"I always do things taking into consideration the best interests of the students. It's not the academy that I care about, it's the students. So even in future, if there is something that may tarnish the reputation of the academy, I shall always side with the students."

The council members, hearing this, became furious. How dare Emilia say that? They appointed her as the principal so that she took great care of the interests of the academy. What was she speaking all of a sudden?

She basically conveyed to the council that the academy can burn down but she'll always side with the students. This wasn't wrong but the academy should always be her first priority and she shouldn't do such a thing.

Afterall, there were heavy donations that are made each year to the academy and a good portion of it is taken by the CNC. The academy's reputation mattered a lot.

A council member in blue robes looked at Emilia and said, "Miss Emilia, let us remind you, if we can put you in that position, we can also remove you from there. What you said wasn't wrong, but it doesn't coincide with the fact that the academy's reputation should always be maintained and should always be the first priority."

Emilia looked at the man and said in her gentle tone, "gentleman, if that's a threat, I hope it's the first and the last one that you give me. And I stand by my views, my values, and my virtues. The students will always be the number one priority no matter what happens."

The council member knitted his brows as he heard that. He started fuming internally hearing such passive aggressive words from Emilia.

It wasn't just him, there were other council members as well who shared the same opinion and value.

Of course, they weren't a lot in numbers and were just a few. But these few people were also the loudest and caused the opinions of other members to change a bit. ?

The council went into a heated discussion after Emilia said so. They were discussing whether what Emilia was thinking was correct or not and they were also stating their dissatisfaction related to the same.

Emilia on the other hand was sitting calmly on her chair and was waiting for this pointless meeting to be over. She knew why she was called here and these people, instead of asking her the important things, they were asking her pointless things.

The new changes in the relation of the academy and CNC stated that the academy was independent to that of CNC. They had full rights to make decisions over things and the CNC in no way would interfere in this matter.

Despite this, Emilia was called here and she didn't like this thing. She was a gentle and kind lady but they too had their limits. The council members were testing Emilia's patience and her kindness repeatedly and she didn't like this. Thus, she was a bit rude with her words today and didn't speak as kindly as she did normally.

The meeting went on for a few more hours with the topic being pointless and useless in Emilia's opinion. She wanted to get out of this immediately but she couldn't do so as that would mean breaching the codes of the CNC and she may get punished for it.

The CNC members were angry, disappointed, and also worried about the decision Emilia took. They also didn't like the fact that Emilia was acting so much on her own and didn't choose to consult the CNC. Sure, the academy was independent, but was it truly? The council members argued this among each other.

Emilia calmly and gently answered all of the CNC's questions and even after a long time when the CNC wasn't able to find dirt on her, they sighed in defeat and let her go. They knew that they couldn't waste too much of her time either as that would cause problems to them.

If Emilia complained to the Heavenly Emperor, the CNC was bound to be in serious trouble. Thus, despite their opinions not aligning with Emilia's, they didn't do much to her except for showing their disapproval and unhappy faces.

Emilia didn't care about them even a bit and left after he job was done there. She didn't leave without saying anything to them though.

She reminded the council that if they were to dwell too deep into this matter and involve the Vampire Prince, her student, into it more than needed, it wasn't just her that would act on this.

The CNC would need to suffer the brunt of the Heavenly Emperor, her own self, the War Angel, and the Royal Clan of the Vampires.

This reminder from Emilia obviously alarmed the CNC and this was what caused them to come back to their senses and conclude the interrogation.

Emilia, after walking out, met with Sel and the two people walked their way out of the Lenz Tower.

While walking, Sel asked, a bit curious, "madam, why did it take you so long to come out?"

Sel wasn't shy and she also knew her boundaries. What she had asked was none of her business to know and this was also nothing but gossip that she was doing. However, she was very close to Emilia and was also Emilia's biggest devotee and the only subordinate. It was okay for her to ask such things. Emilia also was very kind and she didn't mind her asking such things.

Emilia sighed and answered, "the same old thing, Sel. They were thinking of the best interest of the CNC, not the academy or the students present. The entire discussion, no, it couldn't be said as discussion, but interrogation was related to this. It was very tiring."

Sel nodded hearing it. "Those people probably think of themselves as superior to other Emperor Ranks. They didn't care about madam's time and also didn't ask whether you were okay with coming today or not and gave you a command instead."

Emilia nodded. "That's right. They do think like that but I can't do anything about it. I have to follow the protocols since I am now in this position. I don't like bureaucracy and I don't want to be in this political mess, but I have to, since I am bound with this position."

"For the sake of the best interests of the students, I have to do what they ask of me and it's only because of that reason that I listen to the CNC's commands."

Sel too sighed hearing this. She could understand her madam's troubles but she couldn't help her on this. Matters of such a level couldn't be solved or be done by someone who's not an Emperor Rank.

The two walked out of the Lenz Tower and Emilia decided to walk outside a bit to get fresh air and relax. She was too tired of the talks of the CNC and wanted to have a bit of peace.

While walking, Emilia's tiredness soon vanished and a small smile formed on her pretty face.

Sel who was walking beside Emilia noticed this and to understand why her madam became happy so suddenly, she looked into the direction Emilia was looking in and soon saw a silver-haired figure walking in a certain direction.

Sel understood why her madam became happy all of a sudden. She turned to look back at Emilia but noticed that Emilia was gone from her place.

She looked around to see where she was and noticed that Emilia had teleported close to Lith already.

Sel sighed and said to herself, "madam needs more friends..."

Chapter 273 Couple Cafe

Lith was walking through the streets of the inner section of Lenz City, which was the Lenz Tower area. This place was the one where the most wealthy people of Espat lived.

Lith wasn't here to meet anyone rich however, but to raise his class from F to C.

Previously, Jingmei Guild was in the suburbs of Lenz City but when Lith went there, he was told that the guild's headquarters had been shifted to the inner section of the city and so here he was, roaming the streets, sightseeing and being on the lookout for the guild.

Just as he was wondering about a few things and thinking as to why the guild may have shifted from its place, he felt a tap on his shoulder.

He looked behind him and saw a beautiful blonde-haired lady with blue eyes, wearing yellow robes smiling at him.

Lith's senses were very keen and he would know if he was in any immediate danger. Add on to that, he had a very high grade protective artifact on him given by his mother so he wasn't very worried of being killed. He also was in a very secure place of the world and so, he didn't raise his guard up in alarm when he felt someone pat his shoulder.

Noticing the person standing in front of him, Lith smiled and said, "it's only been a day since I dropped out, Miss Emilia. Do you miss me already?"

Emilia rolled her eyes hearing this. He was still as shameless as he could get.

"I was here for some work in the Lenz Tower and was going back to the academy but stumbled onto you. There's no other reason." Emilia said in a soft tone.

Lith smirked and said, "sure, sure. Whatever you say, Miss Emilia."

Hearing his sarcastic reply, Emilia said, "believe me, I am not lying."

Lith kept the smirk and said, "isn't it too big of a coincidence though?"

"It's not-"

"Special discount! Special discount! The chef's special chocolate parfait is now 50% off! Special discount! Special discount!"

Emilia was interrupted by a waiter who just walked out of a shop, a few meters away from them and yelled out the limited period offer of the place he was working at.

Emilia stopped speaking and heard the announcement.

As the man finished speaking, she got interested in knowing how the parfait would taste and be like. Lith and her hadn't explored the deserts section much and parfait was one of the things they planned to make when they were together again later. Lith looked at Emilia's expression carefully and he noticed that she seemed interested in the parfait offer.

He cleared his throat to grab her attention and when she did, he said to her with a smile, "do you wanna try that parfait? I remember saying that the next time we meet, we'll make that. Well, we did meet but I don't think we can cook; you're busy, I am busy, so why not just have that parfait there?"

Emilia thought for a bit and looked towards Sel.

Sel looked back at Emilia from a distance and simply nodded her head, giving her approval. The two didn't need to talk to communicate and Sel knew exactly what Emilia was asking her.

Emilia had a small smile form on her face as she got Sel's approval. She looked at Lith and said in a soft tone, "okay."

Lith smiled and extending one of hands forward, he said, "come, let's go."

Emilia didn't think too much and held his hand. There was no harm in doing so and she also was close to Lith as a friend, so she didn't mind it.

Lith walked towards the place where the waiter was a few seconds ago.

Just as he entered inside along with Emilia, he saw two pretty girls in maid outfits standing.

The two girls noticed Lith and Emilia entering and they were about to greet them when they became slightly shocked looking at the two.

They both looked so stunning together. Lith looked extremely handsome to the maids and Emilia also looked very gorgeous. For a second the maids became speechless but they soon regained their composure, bowed and said with a happy smile,

"Welcome, dear guests!~ This way please."

They showed Lith and Emilia their way and the two got towards the reception of the place.

At the reception, there was a handsome butler. He too found Lith and Emilia to be absolutely stunning but there seemed a little problem to the butler. He however ignored that and focused on the work on hand.

He smiled and said to Lith and Emilia, "thank you for visiting our cafe, dear guests. What place would you like to dine-in? The open area, semi-private area, or the private area?"

"The private area." Lith didn't even hesitate to answer that and said instantly. ?

The butler nodded and typing a few things on the computer in front of him, he said, "dear guests, please take a right from there and go straight. You'll come across room 2 and that's your private place to dine-in. Thank you."

Lith nodded and walked towards room 2 while holding Emilia's hand.

After they left, the butler said to himself softly, "damn, even guys who look like kids can score such gorgeous and beautiful ladies and here I am, working twelve hour shifts daily and unable to score even a single maid here even with my handsome looks. Sigh…"

What the butler didn't know was that he just had a look at the Vampire Prince and also the revered War Angel of the world. He simply thought of them as two common folks with good looks, that's it. Had he known they were such bigshots, he would've immediately passed out and after waking up, would've felt a sense of accomplishment and happiness.

Lith and Emilia reached their room. It was a dark brown wooden themed room and there were good lightings and an aromatic smell assaulted their nose. It was coming from the fragrant oils present at the corners of the room, getting slowly heated.

There was a round table present at the middle of the room with two chairs placed in an opposite manner near it. There were flower petals formed in a heart shape below the table and there were also many types of romantic paintings in the room.

Lith and Emilia both wondered what sort of place was this? But nevertheless, they didn't dwell on it and went to take their seats. Parfait was more important and the ambiance didn't matter much to the two.

There was a device present in the table to book things they wanted and it would directly teleport out of the teleportation circle present on their table. They were given good privacy.

Lith ordered food for the two first and they had dumplings, spring rolls, and pizza together. Now it was time for the main thing which they were here for. The parfait.

Lith looked at the menu and saw that the parfait available on discount was the chef's special couple's parfait. There was chocolate, vanilla, mango, blueberry, and strawberry flavour infused in that parfait and it was for two people.

Lith didn't think much about it and ordered it. The two came here for this, he couldn't just not order this now, can he?

A few minutes later, their parfait teleported out and was made available on their table.

There was a big glass jar containing parfait in front of the two and there were cherries, berries, and chocolate added onto it. But, there was problem...

There was only straw!

There was a big straw in the glass jar and it had two ends to it. But the problem was, these two ends were connected together with the main straw via a heart shape straw area.

Lith looked at Emilia after noticing how the parfait was and said with an awkward smile, 'I am sorry, I didn't know there would be only one straw present. I'll order another one real quick."

Emilia shook her head and said, "it's fine. We came here for this so let's not waste time and have it and leave."

She bent forward and took a sip of the parfait after saying so.

"Mhm~" Emilia said as she felt the taste of the parfait. It was simply too amazing.

Lith, getting approval from Emilia already, didn't shy away either and had the parfait. As he did so, the various different flavours present in it exploded in his mouth and gave him a nice experience and taste.

'Very good parfait. If I want one next time, I'll come here.' He thought to himself.

The two finished it soon without any awkwardness and chatted while having it as well. The parfait was amazing, both felt it.

Just as they were done with it, they heard the device with which food could be ordered ring. A call was made to it. Lith picked up the phone and it was a maid asking if she could come in or not.

Lith asked Emilia if it was fine or not and she didn't have much of an opinion on this and readily agreed.

A maid walked in and stopped just a few feet away from Lith and Emilia. She looked at them and said with a warm smile,

"Sir, madam, thank you for choosing our couple cafe. Before you leave, I'd like to let you know of our scheme. We give heavy discounts to couples here and there is one available today as well. If you allow us to put a picture of you two kissing, today's meal will be free for you. Do you want this offer sir, madam?"

The two shook their heads. It was obvious as to why they did so.

The maid nodded and continued, "then there's another one where all you have to do is kiss your partner and you get 20% off. Of course, if you aren't comfortable with kissing on lips in public, you could just do a small kiss on the face instead. I'll be the witness and you get 20% off."

"No-"

"One second."

Lith was about to deny it but was stopped by Emilia.

He looked at her with a questioning gaze and wondered why she interrupted him.

Emilia didn't bother to answer him and simply bent forward and kissed his cheek. "Done."

"What!?"

Chapter 274 - Extra Activities

Lith was surprised when Emilia kissed him so suddenly. He couldn't understand how she got herself to do this.

Emilia on the other hand wasn't feeling anything weird or off about her actions.

In the Angel Continent, elders kissed the young ones on their cheeks or forehead and it was completely normal. They did it to show their affection, love, and care that they had towards the young ones.

Emilia and Lith were close and she thought of herself as his caretaker and also his elder. She felt it was fine to kiss him as he wasn't any stranger and rather, someone close to her.

But yes, there was no need to do such a thing since even if they didn't get the discount, it wasn't like they were losing too much money. They both were extremely wealthy and they surely could afford things even without the discount.

Emilia didn't know why she did that but after she was done kissing him on his cheek, she reasoned to herself that it was nothing but an elder kissing a young person and nothing else other than that.

"Thank you, sir, madam. I'll now apply the discount." The maid said with a smile.

The two were pulled out of their thoughts and had their attention on the maid as she said that. They stopped thinking about what happened a few seconds ago.

The maid then handed them their bill and after they paid it, the maid smiled and said,

"Dear guests, are you up for the extra activities of the cafe? Participating in these activities can get you many rewards and will also get you access to the secret menu of the cafe."

Hearing the secret menu, Emilia felt excited. She looked at Lith and said with a smile, "let's participate."

Lith raised his eyebrows in surprise and said, "are you sure? There won't just be us there and there would be many couples participating. Things would become a bit awkward and embarrassing if we participate."

Emilia thought about what Lith said and after a few seconds, replied, "it's fine. We know each other well, things shouldn't be too awkward."

The secret menu was making Emilia do things that she never even dreamt or thought of. But she really loved food a lot and this was her first time coming across something called a secret menu. She wondered what amazing dish was hiding behind the normal menu and thus asked Lith to do activities with her.

An immortal was an immortal in the end. They all had a few screws loose in their heads and Emilia also wasn't any exception to this. They had a never ending lifespan and sometimes passed time by literally doing nothing but staring into empty space. They were very strong and their minds obviously wouldn't break from boredom or they would have a breakdown for not having any entertainment or things to do.

Emilia, despite having lots of work in the academy and busying herself with the same, needed a break sometimes from it. A break for her would be to do something else apart from work or to simply meditate in a calm and peaceful place.

Cooking with Lith was a break for her and she enjoyed every moment of it. Now, the cafe activities also seemed a good source of entertainment and there was also the secret menu that she was excited to see.

Lith was still a mortal, he hadn't even crossed the Rank 6 mark where people were considered as higher mortals. He also wasn't a Half-Saint either yet to at least be a pseudo immortal.

Lith basically didn't know a single thing about how life was for an immortal or a being that has a never ending lifespan. Thus, he didn't have much opinion of doing activities in the cafe.

Emilia wanted to participate and there was no hesitation on her part for doing so. Why would Lith reject this request of hers? He also had nothing much to do right now anyway so he went along with it.

They both agreed to participate in the activities but they didn't want to show their faces to the public there. The maid was prepared for this thing and handed them out masks. These were low grade masks but did a good job in hiding their faces.

The masks only covered half their face. Half of their face was visible, which included half the cheeks, lips, and chin.

Majority of the guests who used the private rooms didn't like to show their faces to the public and so many rejected these activities. The cafe then came up with masks to hide their faces and thus, almost everyone participated in the cafe activities.

The two were led to the activity area by the maid. It was present at the back of the cafe and after they reached there, they both were surprised once again.

It wasn't an activity area anymore but a whole stadium!

There was a big oval track laid out and in the middle was a grassy patch where there were things present to do other activities. The stadium obviously had seats as well and to Lith's surprise, there were many people sitting there and watching.

The maid, after they reached the stadium, said to the two with a smile, "dear guests, there are many couple cafes in the Neutral Continent and every place is connected to this stadium. It belongs to our cafe but we let the others use it as well since the more people, the better the competition, and the more is the fun.

Hearing this, Lith felt amused. This place was much better than he thought it out to be. Previously he didn't have much interest in competing with a bunch of couples for a secret menu, but now there were hundreds of people present here and it definitely seemed very fun.

Emilia on the other hand was thinking of something else. She looked at the maid and asked, "are the other secret menus present as well? Or is it just your own cafe's secret menu we are talking about?"

The maid smiled and replied, "the secret menu belongs to our cafe and we have a patent on the dishes present in it. Winning any one competition can get you access to it. If there are winners from the other cafes, they can access the secret menu by coming to our cafe. It's free of cost."

Emilia nodded in understanding. So there was only one secret menu. Makes sense.

The maid then said, "but the prizes in the competition include signature dishes of other cafes and many more exciting things. So secret menu or not, you'll get to taste a lot of different varieties of food."

Emilia's eyes lit up as she heard this. But she calmed herself down and grabbing Lith's hand, she said in a calm tone,

"Let's go."

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Chapter 275 - Activities

Lith and Emilia reached the grassy ground in the middle of the stadium. The maid was with them and she was the one who worked to register these two into the upcoming activities.

There were not many but just three competitions. They were: the three legged race, treasure hunt, and daily tasks.

In the three legged race, the two would have one of their legs attached to each other and would need to do a sprint.

In the treasure hunt, the two would need to work together to find the treasure. One person would have their vision blocked and the other would have their voice blocked. They would need to coordinate and find the most valuable treasure together.

As for the daily tasks competition, the couples would be given an oversized t-shirt and they both would need to fit inside it and do daily tasks that the competition says of. Daily tasks such as cleaning the dishes, watering the plants, etc.

The ones who finish these challenges the fastest would be the winners and once these three are over, there would be other fun solo activities that the couples would be made to do in their respective private rooms.

The maid left after having Lith and Emilia registered for the three competitions.

Lith looked at Emilia and said, "Miss Emilia, would you be able to compete in that outfit? And would you be able to coordinate well with me?"

Emilia looked at him and said nodding her head, "this is my formal outfit, I'll change it. And as for coordination, we'll be able to do it without problems. Did you perhaps forget that I was your teacher?"

Lith smiled and said, "you were, but not anymore, right?"

Emilia patted Lith's shoulder and said gently, "yes, but I have taught you many things and know a lot about you. The coordination shouldn't be too much of a problem."

Lith nodded. It made sense.

"Alright. There's fifteen minutes before the three legged race starts. We can practice a bit by that time." Lith suggested.

Emilia nodded and said, "sure."

She first went to the dressing room to change and came back to where Lith was wearing a black trackpant, running shoes, a white top and a black jacket. Her blonde hair was tied in a ponytail and she looked very sexy in this sports outfit.

Lith was wearing a similar outfit as her's. While she went to change, he too did the same thing. He was wearing a black trackpant and jacket as well with a gray t-shirt on the inside and white running shoes.

"Let's practice." Emilia said and walked close to Lith.

He nodded and the two stood side by side. Emilia bent down to tie their legs with a cloth and added a spell on it to keep the two's legs locked together.

"Ready?" Emilia asked Lith.

Lith nodded.

She took one step ahead and Lith too did the same thing, making their tied leg take one step ahead. The two then moved their other leg forward together, slowly but in coordination. They then moved their tied leg together and repeated these steps slowly until they were able to walk in a moderate pace.

They took support of each other by holding each others' waist. Emilia didn't need support but Lith did, so she held him for extra support.

The stadium they were in was imbued with sensors and no use of magic was allowed. If a couple used magic, they would be straightaway disqualified.

The time for the race was near and the participants were called onto the track. There were around fifty participants in this race and many had a mask on their races and wore various different types of robes.

Lith and Emilia stood in their position after coming onto the track. Lith once again held Emilia's waist and had his palm on her soft and squishy love handles. Of course, he didn't act like a creep and actually squished them to check their squishiness.

In a few minutes, a gunshot was heard and the race began.

Just at the starting, a few couples fell down because of poor coordination and a few struggled to move forward.

Magic was an essential part of everyone's life and no magic made people struggle. They were having a lot of problems to maintain their balance and stability and some fell after a few steps due to that.

Lith and Emilia however had no problems. One was an Emperor Rank and could live without magic as well, whereas the other was a reincarnated being whose previous world had no magic.

Lith and Emilia didn't sprint at the start but walked at a moderate pace. They increased pace gradually, but this decision didn't impact their performance at all.

Many had fallen down already due to various reasons and to tie back the cloth on their leg and to start again took more time than they thought and this also slowed the others down.

The audience present cheered for everyone, especially Lith and Emilia when they saw how they were doing it so smartly and were at the lead. They laughed when couples fell down in a funny manner but they didn't stop cheering. The audience was good and their cheers motivated many to move forwards.

In the end, Lith and Emilia finished the race and were first which was no surprise to the two but a great surprise to everyone present.

Everyone was amused watching the two smartly sprint their way to victory and what amused them even further was the fact that two had a big difference of height but still managed to win.

Lith was almost fourteen now but being a vampire, his physical growth was slow. It would take him a bit of time to grow as tall as Emilia who was 187 cm tall, almost the same as Arya who was 190 cm. Lith was 165 cm tall currently and growing 20 more centimetres would take a few more years.

Lith and Emilia were given prizes in which there was the secret menu present. Their prize also contained three gift hampers, one of which was a chocolate hamper, one cheese hamper, and the last one was an ice cream hamper.

Lith and Emilia could exit now but Emilia found these activities fun and asked Lith if he wanted to go with the other two as well. They could get good prizes for winning, there was that too, and Lith, having nothing better to do, went along with her.

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Lith and Emilia readied themselves for the second competition. The track had been cleared and the whole ground plus the track was now made ready to be used for the second competition of the day —the treasure hunt.

The duo was in their sports outfit and were led to one corner of the stadium by the maid from the cafe earlier. As they reached the corner, the maid asked them to sit on two chairs present there.

She then handed out two objects to the duo and said with a smile, "sir, madam, these are the artifacts that you'll need to wear for the entire duration of the competition. Once the competition is over, they will be deactivated on their own and you can have your senses back."

One object seemed like a simple black blindfold and the other was a small black strip. It was obvious as to what artifact was present for what purpose.

Lith looked at Emilia and before he could discuss it with her, Emilia had already begun to put a blindfold on herself.

Lith was left with the black strip and holding it in between his fingers, he wondered where he was supposed to put it.

The maid could tell what Lith was thinking and so she explained with a smile, "sir, that strip has to be placed horizontally on your Adam's apple."

Lith nodded and placed it where the maid had asked him to. He looked at her and said thank you but no voice came out and he realized that the artifact was showing its effect already.

The maid simply smiled looking at Lith's response and after giving him a bow, she sat down on a chair present a few meters away from the two.

Lith looked at Emilia and noticed that she was sitting straight and seemed to be in a serious mood. To know why she was like that, he decided to ask her while also finding an excuse to test his communication skills without speaking.

Lith grabbed Emilia's palm, making the latter turn her head towards him. He ignored that and drew letters on her forearm that read,

"Why so serious?"

Emilia first cleared her throat to grab his attention and said, "are you going to communicate with me in this way?"

Lith nodded in understanding but then hit his head and thought to himself that she probably can't see him nod.

Emilia could see Lith but she chose not to. She shut her vision off so that she could participate fairly in the competition. Also, cheating would only result in her having less fun and so she didn't even use her spiritual sense to look around.

Lith coughed and said that he'll be communicating in this way but no voice came out as usual. He realized his blunder again and hit himself once again. He then drew letters on Emilia's forearm again. It was a simple yes.

Emilia nodded understanding that and said, "alright. I'll teach you a few things for normal words such as yes, no, there, here, etc., so that you don't have to write them again and again. Here... this is how they are..."

Emilia taught Lith a few things and after Lith was done understanding them all, he practiced them for a few times. He rubbed Emilia's palm, her forearms, tapped her on the middle back, lower back, and shoulder blades in specific patterns and orders and learnt a lot of gestures.

A few minutes later, the maid got up and asked the two, "sir, madam, are you two ready to go? The treasure hunt shall begin in five minutes from now."

The two got up and nodded their heads. Emilia held Lith's hand and the two walked towards the competition area.

Lith felt a bit awkward as Emilia held his hand as he was not used to being this close to her but it wasn't too much of a problem to him since he was now a man having experience with not one, but three ladies.

Lith's awkward feeling didn't last long and he pretty much treated their handholding as something normal and nothing too exaggerated.

The two reached the center of the stadium and the maid left the two alone. There were also a lot of couples present around the two and all had similar artifacts like Lith and Emilia on them.

There was a stage present just a few meters from the duo and as the maid had said, five minutes later, a host walked on the state and said in an excited tone,

"Couples, are you excited for the amazing treasure hunt that is about to happen?"

"Yeah!" The couples yelled.

"I CAN'T HEAR YOU! I SAID ARE YOU READ!?" The host shouted this time, into the mic.

"YEAAAHH!" The couples shouted with more energy this time.

Lith and Emilia were an exception to this however. They did cheer but not as loudly as the others.

"Alright then! The entire stadium is your playing ground! Get to hunting! Haha!" The host laughed his way off the stage after saying so. The stage disappeared as well with him.

The place where the stage was present just a few seconds ago, it became of interest to the couples. They went there to see what could be available there but Lith and Emilia didn't move from their place yet.

Lith was thinking on where to go since everything looked unsuspicious and the treasure basically could be anywhere. He and Emilia thus stood still and were in their own thoughts.

Soon, Lith realized that it was pointless to think so much and since there were no hints, he should just toss a coin, pick a direction and move there at random.

Just as he was about to do that, Emilia tapped him on his shoulder. Lith looked at her and as he did so, Emilia brought her face close to his.

She tried to bring her mouth close to his ear but since she was blindfolded and couldn't see, she accidentally had her lips graze Lith's cheek.

Lith didn't mind it but Emilia sure did and felt a bit embarrassed. But she was a powerful and mature angel and didn't show her embarrassment on her face. Her thoughts went into disarray due to this and she thought,

'I probably kissed his face... but that aside, why do I smell of roses from him? And why is the scent so rich and fragrant? No, no, no, Emilia, what are you thinking!? Think of the situation on hand!'

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Emilia cleared her thoughts and eventually calmed down. She then took a deep breath and exhaled out.

Lith shivered slightly as he felt Emilia blowing some hot air in his ear. He tapped her lower back to get her attention and wrote on her forearm slowly word by word:

'Miss Emilia, are you trying to seduce me?'

"What!?" Emilia said in alarm as she understood what Lith wrote.

'Oh crap! I accidentally flirted with her despite being mute. Shit, think of something to turn this situation around!' Lith thought to himself.

He soon came up with some ideas but quickly acted on the one he thought made the most sense.

He wrote on Emilia's forearm again:

'I am kidding. Anywho, something's up?'

Emilia sighed in relief realizing that he was just joking with her and probably trying to tease her.

The usual joking tone wasn't there when Lith wrote that and Emilia thus didn't understand that he was just teasing her. But when he clarified, she understood that it was just the usual and he definitely didn't mean it.

She stopped panicking and brought her face close to his ear again.

This time, she didn't have her lips graze his cheeks and said to him in his ear, "do you want me to 'see' things and get this treasure hunt over with?"

She said it in such a manner because she felt that it was cheating and felt slightly guilty for doing so. She couldn't come up with other solutions yet and so thought that this might be the best option to do so.

The competition was of a low level and she was an Emperor Rank. She could easily use her prowess without triggering any sensor in the stadium but since she liked fair play, she didn't do so and did things normally along with Lith.

Now though, since she wasn't able to come up with a solution, she decided to cheat a bit. Of course, she wouldn't break the rule of having her vision blocked, she would simply already her spiritual sense and look for things. It wasn't really seeing but sensing things so she felt that it might okay to do so.

Lith thought for a bit and wrote on her hand:

'No, let's search normally. It'll be more fun.'

"Alright." Emilia gave up on her thoughts and decided to do what Lith had asked her to do.

The two walked in a certain random direction that Lith picked after tossing a coin and walked there. Lith was on a lookout for anything odd that was present while Emilia was trying her best to feel things around her as well. She couldn't see but the rules didn't say anywhere that she couldn't sense things either, so she did just that.

While sensing, she thought to herself, 'it seems dark everywhere. I wonder how that stupid lizard goes about her day while being blindfolded.'

Emilia's thoughts drifted and she was thinking about Arya. She was Emilia's only friend and it wasn't a surprise that she thought about her like this.

Emilia had nothing better to do as she wasn't able to sense anything around her immediate surrounding and also couldn't look. She could only wait for Lith and thus was currently thinking about other things.

Lith soon found a fist-sized rock on the grassy ground. Normally, it would get ignored by everyone but Lith noticed it because there was no other rock present on the grassy ground. At least the areas from where Lith came from.

Lith rubbed his thumb on Emilia's palm to tell her that he found something and Emilia walked close to him and sensed the things around. She too found the rock stranger after sensing it.

"It's the rock." She said.

Lith nodded. He crouched and turned the rock. There was nothing present there. He then decided to look under the rock but there still wasn't anything.

Finding nothing for another few tries, Lith decided to crush the rock and see if there was anything present. If there was nothing, he would simply move to another place.

Lith curshed the rock and found a paper slip fall out. He took a look at it and the slip read as:

'Where the crowd is most dense, you shall find a mop.'

Lith smiled after finally getting a clue of some sort. He got up and tried to high five Emilia but realized she couldn't see his this gesture and simply lowered his hand down in awkwardness.

He walked close to her and instead hugged her, surprising Emilia. But she didn't call him out for it and simply hugged back.

Maybe there was something that asked him to hug her? She thought and dropped the topic of him hugging her.

Lith, for the first time had his nostrils struck with Emilia's scent. Her scent was a mild... orange flavor? What the fuck?

Lith got confused and wasn't able to understand what scent it was. It surely was very fragrant and nice to smell and also wasn't overpowering or strong. It was mild and sweet, perfectly aligning with her gentle and kind attitude.

'Ugh... what am I thinking? We are in the middle of a competition.' Lith thought to himself and let go of the hug.

He cleared his throat, trying to pretend that nothing happened a few seconds ago, but no voice came out of his coughing.

Lith grabbed Emilia's hand again and wrote on it:

'Found something. Let's go.'

Emilia nodded and interlocked her fingers with Lith's and held his hand once again. She didn't feel shy at all for doing so. She was technically blind right now, and needed help. This was a good excuse— ahem, reason, for her to hold Lith's hand. It's not like she liked him or anything of such sorts.

Or did she?

Well she didn't. She only thought of each other as good friends as of now. Most importantly, student and teacher, and nothing more.

But despite that, she was slowly opening up in front of Lith and also was getting more and more free. Handholding thus felt normal to her, despite it being a scandalous sort of thing in the Angel Continent.

Lith felt nothing about this as he handholding felt nothing much to him. He had done things much more... let's say... interesting than handholding.

He walked with Emilia and was in search of a dense crowd. He soon found the spectator crowds sitting on the stadium seats to be more dense than the ones participating. He walked towards them since there was no such thing as the crowd being that of the participants only and soon reached towards the most dense crowd.

The people sitting looked at Lith with curious gaze and wondered why he had come up towards them from the ground. Though they were curious, they didn't talk to him so as to not disturb him.

Lith looked around with Emilia and soon found a mop present below one of the person's seat.

He got close to it and took the mop out. As he did so, a slip flew out along with the mop.

Lith held the slip and looked at what it was. There was a line written on the slip that read:

'Only a maniac would mop the...'

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Lith looked at the slip and knitted his brows. He couldn't understand what the slip meant since it was incomplete. He looked at Emilia and grazed his thumb on her shoulder blade, telling her that he didn't understand something.

"What is it that you don't understand?" Emilia asked in her gentle tone.

Lith wrote on her hand:

'The hint I got.'

Emilia nodded and then asked, "what does the hint say? And what did the previous one say?"

Lith wrote on her hand what the two slips had on them and Emilia thought about things a bit and said, "try breaking the mop."

Lith nodded and did as he was told and found another slip in the mop. That slip read:

'Where the entertainer makes an appearance.'

Lith wrote that on Emilia's forearm and told her about what's in the slip.

Emilia thought again about it and sighed in annoyance. But she still said in the same gentle tone to Lith,

"If we follow the slips, we'll get to more slips and it'll consume a lot of time. Come, let's just go and get the treasures instead of wasting our time so much."

Lith nodded. He was getting annoyed by roaming as well.

Emilia locked her fingers with Lith's again and the two walked in a certain direction.

They soon found their first treasure and it was simply a box of exotic mushrooms. They then found two gold rings and finally, they got the main treasure that was an expensive pair of earrings.

Just as they found it, the stage came back and so did the host. They congratulated Lith and Emilia and played loud party music for the couples to dance along.

Lith and Emilia didn't participate in it and with the help of the maid, they got back to their seats and relaxed.

Lith removed the strip from his neck and looked at Emilia and saw her removing her blindfold and revealing her beautiful blue eyes to him. She then untied her ponytail and waved her silky blonde hair around, making Lith feel amazed.

Emilia felt Lith's stare and looked at him. She saw him look at her with an amused expression and wanting to know why he had such a face, she asked, "is something the matter?"

Lith smiled and said to her, "nope. I am just a bit amused looking at how beautiful and pretty you look."

If it were before, the time when Lith and Emilia hadn't begun their cooking phase, Emilia would've simply ignored Lith's compliment. But now, she was close to him and was well aware that he didn't give out compliments if he didn't mean them.

While they were cooking, Emilia had messed up a lot many times and Lith had called her cooking as crap and pathetic all those while. He always gave her his honest opinion and didn't sugarcoat

things. He knew she was a grown up and she could handle the truth well. He wasn't disrespectful to her while giving out his opinions, just honest and straight to the point.

Emilia gradually came to understand that Lith, unlike a few men she had met before, wasn't like them at all. Those men had complimented Emilia as well but it seemed very superficial and appeared as if they had ulterior motives behind it.

Whereas Lith's compliment really felt genuine to her.

She became slightly happy knowing it but as usual, didn't show it on her face and with a neutral look, she nodded and said, "thank you."

Lith smiled in response to this. He wondered what type of person Emilia was. Was she a tsundere, a kuudere, a cold lady, a shy lady, or perhaps a reserved lady? What was she? She never responded to his compliments and would always just give dry responses to it.

Only when they were cooking and she was too absorbed into the food, she would slightly break character and let out a slight blush on her face. That, and also her beautiful smile. Lith had not missed watching them and knew that she did liked to be complimented just like everyone else, but she always had a neutral look whenever she were to reply to them.

'Well, only time will tell. No point mulling over it and wasting my time.' Lith thought.

A few seconds later, Lith asked Emilia, "it's getting boring. We got the secret menu already, do you want to go do something else?"

Emilia thought about it and nodded her head. It had indeed gotten boring.

Lith looked at the maid sitting a few meters away and called her. She arrived in front of him and asked what he needed.

Lith replied, "you mentioned there being solo activities just for duos right? Let's go do that. We'd like to skip the next competition."

The maid nodded and she took them back to their private room. After they reached there, she gave them a few things and left.

There was an instruction manual present in those things and it was about what fun things they could do by themselves. The list included many things like playing truth or dare, touch and guess, etc.

Lith decided to simply play a game of truth and dare with Emilia as the other things weren't really suitable for them as they weren't a couple. Touch and guess game could be played, but in his previous life, when Lith had watched videos of it, their ending was always... Well, nsfw.

In this game, a person would touch the things that the other person wants the person to touch and guess what it was. This also had no restrictions on whatever they could touch and this made things a bit heated. Lith thus avoided it.

Once they decided to play try truth and dare, they put a transparent bowl in front of them. It was a big bowl containing many chits. These chits had questions and dares written on them and the instruction manual said that it was definitely sfw.

Lith looked at Emilia and said with a smile, "we'll do rock, papers, scissors, and the one who wins asks the other a question or gives a dare by withdrawing the chit in the bowl."

"Sounds good to me." Emilia nodded and agreed.

"Alright then, please remember that I'll go with papers." Lith said with a smile to Emilia.

Emilia nodded and replied, "such things won't confuse me. Let's play. Rock, papers, scissors."

The round began and both of them chose papers.

Lith looked at Emilia and said, "Miss Emilia, didn't I say that I'll use papers."

Emilia nodded and said, "yes, you did. But did I say that I won't use it either?"

Lith fell silent hearing it. His own words were fired back at him. He cleared his throat and said,

"Anywho, we don't have a winner yet. We'll do best of five, okay?"

Emilia nodded and Litn said immediately, "okay then. I'll choose papers again."

The two said rock, papers, scissors, and once again let out their responses.

Lith this time, instead of doing papers, did scissors instead whereas Emilia had rock in her response, beating Lith in the game.

Lith was surprised with Emilia's response and before he could say anything, she said, "I knew you wouldn't choose papers again. So as a safe bet, I went with rocks. You need tostudy more inthis aspect of playing mind games. The proficiency isn't enough."

She gave her honest advice and her guidance to him. Lith nodded and said, "I'll look into that. Anywho, please take your chit from it and give me a truth or dare."

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Emilia took a chit out from the bowl and opened it. After reading it, she looked at Lith and said,

"It's truth. What are one of your biggest fears?"

Lith didn't need to think to come up with an answer since he already had one as soon as he heard the question. But he was pondering whether to say that to Emilia or not.

After thinking for a bit, he decided to say it to her but in very vague terms. He looked at her and said in a calm tone, "losing my loved ones. That's my biggest fear."

Emilia nodded. Many had such fears. She wasn't surprised that Lith had one such as well.

The two went for another round of rock, papers, scissors, and Lith, like before, said to Emilia, "I'll be going with the scissors this time."

'No, it's going to be rock.' He thought right after.

Emilia nodded and said, "I'll go with rock."

'what the fuck? Can she read my mind?' Lith thought.

But he took a deep breath and thought again that it wasn't possible. 'It must definitely be a coincidence. But just to be safe, I won't change my mind on what I was going to play.'

'But wait! What if she thinks that I think that she thinks she won't play rock? In that case, what if I do the same as her and she does the opposite of it? What if she wanted me to do the same as her so that she can be sneaky and do the opposite?'

'Wait, wait, I am thinking too much. This isn't good. Let's leave everything, I'll just go with scissors as I've said!'

Lith's thought became a mess. It was easy winning against Ralph and Dennis before because they all didn't overthink and just went one of the given possibilities that Lith made them go through. Thus, it was easy.

But with Emilia, an Emperor Rank, it was too damn difficult as Lith couldn't make out what she was thinking at all. Her choices and possibilities could be completely random for all he knew.

The game began.

"Rock, paper, scissors!"

"Rock, paper, scissors."

Lith and Emilia said simultaneously and made their move.

Lith did scissors as he thought of but when he saw Emilia's move, he froze for a second.

Rock!

She did rock as she said! Holy crap was she having such simple thoughts!? Did she not think of other things!?

Lith's thoughts went into a disarray once again as he lost. Winning against someone of such a high rank surely wasn't possible. The difference between intelligence was too big. Even without magic and anything else, it was simply impossible to beat them even with words.

Emilia had a slight small on her face as she saw Lith's expression that showed that he was suffering. But she didn't call him out for it and took a chit from the bowl.

She read it and her smile was gone. She looked at Lith and said the thing from the chit.

"Dare. Enact a scene: apologizing to your partner."

"Eh?" Lith came out of his thoughts and said.

This scene was... well... this would make things a bit awkward between the two since they were not partners but just friends.

Lith cleared his throat and said, "Miss Emilia, it's fine, we can skip that. You can take another chit from the bowl if you want."

Emilia shook her head. "No, it's fine. Let's just go with this."

This was a couples cafe and as far as she knew, there were bound to be such things present here. Rejecting it and opening another chit won't help either. So it was best to go with whatever is on.

"Are you sure? Because you know, the things I might do may make you feel uncomfortable. So you can just reject it if you want." Lith said calmly.

He was not a creep or a pervert who would use every opportunity possible to touch women or have their way with them. He becomes a pervert only when he's with his ladies. At other times, he wouldn't do such things.

He knew well that he and Emilia were just friends and these things might really make her uncomfortable. She was an angel and they strongly believed in being intimate after marriage and not before. A few things here and there were okay such as kissing and going for the second base, but other than that, the home base wasn't allowed. Emilia nodded her head and said, "it's fine. Let's just go with it. We'll play for five rounds and then leave, okay?"

Lith nodded. He then got up from his seat and said with a smile, "I'll start with my dare then."

Emilia nodded her head and Lith, getting an approval, walked close to her.

Once he was close to her, he hugged her and placed her head on his chest and said while patting her back, "I am sorry, it wasn't supposed to happen that way, but it did. It was a mistake on my part."

Emilia was dumbfounded as Lith did that. She wasn't expecting him to really get into character and do such a scene. But she didn't say anything and simply went with the flow.

Lith kept quiet while gently patting her back. This actually made Emilia feel warm and comfortable. As far as Emilia knew, she had only gotten cared for like this when she was small and still with her mother. After she left her mother to embark on her cultivation path, such a thing never happened.

The chances for her to get patted like this also turned to a solid zero once she became the War Angel. Nobody dared to mess with her, let alone touch her. Despite how she looked and behaved, she was one of the world's strongest beings if we exclude the Supreme Ranks.

Lith was basically having one of such strongest beings in his embrace right now and was patting her and treating her like how one would treat a young and sad girl.

Emilia simply closed her eyes and tried not to feel embarrassed because of whatever was happening right now. But when she closed her eyes, she actually felt Lith's warmth and comfort even more, causing her blush slightly.

But since she was the adult here, she didn't show it on her face and tried to make her face look normal.

But all her efforts went down the drain when Lith backed off a bit and held her face lightly with both his hands.

Lith bent down and brought his face close to hers and while holding her face, he said in a serious tone:

"I know you're..."

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Emilia didn't know how to react to whatever Lith was doing to her. But since he didn't cross any lines, she didn't say anything to him and simply waited to see what he was going to do.

Lith, who was holding Emilia's face, said in a serious tone, "I know that you're hurt and I also know that it's because of me. But please understand, that situation wasn't in anyone's control. I know your feelings were hurt and I am genuinely very sorry for that. But I promise, such a thing won't happen again."

Lith kissed Emilia's forehead after saying so and hugged her back again. He placed his chin on her head and had her face rest on his chest again. Lith, this time instead of patting her back, caressed her hair as she lay in his embrace.

Emilia's face was now flushed and her cheeks had a deeper shade of red on them, showing how embarrassed she was right now.

Emilia was genuinely very embarrassed and she didn't know that Lith would be such a sweet talker. She also, for some reason, really liked his gentle tone and his words. They definitely seemed heartfelt.

But, Emilia sighed as she knew that this was just a dare and not real. She kind of hoped that it was real but then again, it was just a passing thing she had.

Lith kissing her on the forehead was something she forgot about completely. It did cause her to feel a lot embarrassed but when she thought about other things, her embarrassment started disappearing.

After a few seconds of showing Emilia some love and care as an apology, Lith left her, leaving Emilia disappointed..

Emilia hoped that this continued for a bit longer but she knew that it wasn't possible since this was just a dare.

'What am I even thinking...'

Emilia became self-conscious and thought to herself. It was weird how she was hoping to have such things be done to her.

She shoved aside those thoughts and said to Lith, "three more rounds left."

Lith nodded and the two began their game again. In the coming three rounds, there was only truth that appeared and Lith also won one of the rounds by sheer luck. But too bad for him since Emilia didn't get any dare.

The two, after playing the truth and dare game, decided that it was enough fooling around for today and explored the secret menu of the cafe.

The secret menu consisted of one traditional dish each of the main eight races and it was served in a special style which was what the hype was all about.

The duo tried it and they did find it nice, but they felt that these dishes were something that they would only eat just once in a while and not regularly. The duo preferred home cooked meals for themselves as that was their comfort food.

Lith's cooking had improved by a huge margin as compared to the time he was on Earth. He could've become a chef in his previous life had he gone down the culinary path but due to reasons, he went to med school instead.

As for Emilia, food cooked by Lith tasted much better to her than the restaurant ones. She didn't know the reason why but she definitely knew one thing and that was that she could eat food cooked by Lith at all times. They were comforting and provided a feeling of warmth.

Of course, she didn't say these things out loud to Lith and kept it as a secret to herself. If these words were said out loud, before Lith, it would be her who would be cringed by it and feel embarrassment.

The duo tipped the maid that was with them at all times a good amount and left the cafe after they felt it was enough fooling around for the day.

Lith and Emilia walked out of the cafe's private room and at the reception, they found Sel using her phone and sipping on some bubble tea. The tea looked brown and had black pearls in it—the most common bubble tea.

Noticing Emilia and Lith walk out, Sel got up from her seat and said to Emilia, "madam, we should hurry up. You've spent more time and we're behind schedule on a few things. We need to urgently go."

Emilia sighed as she heard this. Work again...

She looked at Lith and said to him in a gentle tone but with a neutral face, "today was a fun day. I enjoyed my time. Thank you."

Lith smiled and said, "keep visiting me from time to time if you're free. Just text or give me a call and I'll send you my location."

Emilia nodded. "I will and give me a call if you need anything."

Lith smiled and nodded his head. He waved his hand to say good bye to her and Emilia left with Sel by teleporting away.

After they both were gone, Lith left to look for Jingmei Guild to raise his class.

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In a certain part of the world.

Below a mountain peak.

Lilith was playing chess with Mayzin and was guarding Arya so that she can have a successful ascension.

After Lilith made her move, she suddenly remembered something and took her phone out.

She typed in a few things on her phone and put it back inside.

Mayzin didn't see what Lilith was doing since her focus was on the chess game. It was very intense and she was put in a very difficult situation right now.

Lilith then turned her head to look at Arya and stared at her for a few seconds. She smiled and said softly, "It's faster than I thought."

Mayzin's heard this and shifted her gaze to look at Lilith. "What's faster?"

Lilith smiled and said looking at Mayzin, "her speed at which she is trying to ascend."

"Oh." Mayzin said and nodded her head in understanding.

She could tell this as well. The elemental energy in the surroundings had increased by a huge margin since Arya began her ascension. Though it was getting concentrated, it didn't break the equilibrium yet. The place they were at had little to no elemental energy and it was like that for a vast expanse. That was the reason for it.

Mayzin then got back to concentrating on the game on hand and ignored Lilith.

Lilith stared at the chess board in front of her and thought to herself with a smile on her face,

'Would changing events would cause too many problems or no problems at all. I wonder which one would it be?'